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CIRM Signs Collaborative Agreements with France and India

In March, CIRM signed collaborative agreements on stem cell research with the French Government's Agence Nationale de la Recherche (ANR) and the Institute for Stem Cell Biology and Regenerative Medicine (inSTEM), an autonomous unit of the Department of Biotechnology of the Government of India. These agreements will make it easier for researchers in California to obtain joint funding with France and India to broaden the potential pool of expertise that can be applied toward research in a specific area. CIRM has now developed a total of 12 International Collaborative Funding Partner agreements.

[Read the France press release](#)

[Read the India press release](#)

[Learn more about CIRM's Collaborative Funding Partners](#)

New CIRM Spotlight Video

Video of CIRM's "Spotlight on the Human Embryo and Embryonic Stem Cell Research" is now posted. The video features Renee Reijo Pera, director of Stanford's Center for Human Embryonic Stem Cell Research and Education.



[Watch the video](#)

CIRM to Provide Travel Scholarships for 2011 ISSCR Meeting

CIRM announced a travel scholarship program to support patient advocates and young scientists who are attending the 9th annual meeting of the International Society for Stem Cell Research in Toronto, Canada.

[Read the scholarship details](#)

CIRM Extends Funding of Shared Labs

At its March 10th meeting, the CIRM Governing Board voted to provide \$22 million in additional funding over three years for the seventeen CIRM Shared Laboratories. This extension enables the grantee institutions to continue their very successful programs which provide training and dedicated lab space for stem cell research.

[Read the press release](#)